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This application is a continuation-in-part (CIP) application of U.S. Application No. 08/916,178 filed August 21, 1997, and is related to and claims priority from U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/024,346 filed August 23, 1996, and U.S.

Provisional Application No. 60/139,814 filed June 21, 1999.

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 16 and 17, without prejudice or disclaimer, and amend the claims as follows:

1. [Once Amended] An apparatus in a distributed control system, comprising:

a first network interface for communicating with a first network having a communication protocol stack; and

a device access agent which emulates [for] mapping of an access sublayer of at least one legacy format service message of said distributed control system to one or more [a] network format messages compatible with said communication stack using a common access interface.